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dial (23) supported rotatably and depressibly by a pair of spindle bearings (26) included in a base plate; the base plate (25) supporting the dial (23) is fitted in a frame; the outer actuators are pivotable in a direction approximately perpendicular to a direction in which the three actuators are arrayed and about a pivot approximately perpendicular to a direction in which operating surfaces of the outer actuators are pushed to press a contact (30) disposed on the frame; and each of the outer actuators has a to-be-supported piece (34) extending to a position where the outer actuator deviates from a lateral edge of the dial (23) in the rotating direction as viewed from the front. The outer actuator is pivotally attached at the end of the to-be-supported piece (34) to the frame (22) and has a center axis crossing the pair of spindle bearings of the central actuator.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 by rewriting same to read as follows:

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--1. (Amended) A switching device including one central actuator and two outer actuators disposed separately from said central actuator, one of said two outer actuators located on each of two sides of said central actuator, wherein:

said central actuator is a cylindrical dial supported depressibly and rotatably by a pair of spindle bearings of a base plate;